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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Initial Application of: Pinchuk et al. Confirmation No.: 9888
Serial No.: 10/657,544
Filing Date: September 8, 2003
For: METHODS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF POROUS PROSTHESIS
Examiner: Leo B Tentoni Group Art Unit: 1732

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 22, 2004 for two (2) months from January 22, 2005 up to and including March 22, 2005. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee of \$225.00 for a small entity to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. The Director is also authorized to charge any

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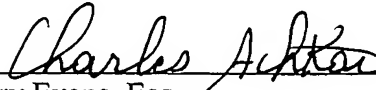
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deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Dated: March 21, 2005

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